Table 3.2 Marital Status of the Foreign-Born Population by Sex and World Region of Birth: March 2002
(Numbers in thousands. 1/ 2/)

SEX AND MARITAL STATUS	FOREIGN BORN		WORLD REGION OF BIRTH							
			EUROPE		ASIA		LATIN AMERICA		OTHER AREAS	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total										
Total	30,337	100.0	4,341	100.0	7,840	100.0	15,684	100.0	2,473	100.0
Married, spouse present	17,013	56.1	2,689	61.9	4,841	61.7	8,157	52.0	1,326	53.6
Married, spouse absent 3/	1,277	4.2	85	2.0	285	3.6	794	5.1	113	4.6
Widowed	1,467	4.8	425	9.8	386	4.9	536	3.4	120	4.9
Divorced	1,806	6.0	399	9.2	363	4.6	854	5.4	189	7.7
Separated	857	2.8	83	1.9	105	1.3	592	3.8	77	3.1
Never married	7,917	26.1	661	15.2	1,860	23.7	4,749	30.3	647	26.1
Male										
Total	15,231	100.0	1,996	100.0	3,747	100.0	8,245	100.0	1,243	100.0
Married, spouse present	8,298	54.5	1,261	63.2	2,261	60.3	4,121	50.0	656	52.8
Married, spouse absent 3/	817	5.4	48	2.4	161	4.3	538	6.5	70	5.6
Widowed	261	1.7	83	4.2	64	1.7	97	1.2	18	1.4
Divorced	735	4.8	181	9.0	115	3.1	351	4.3	88	7.1
Separated	279	1.8	28	1.4	28	0.7	194	2.4	29	2.4
Never married	4,841	31.8	396	19.8	1119	29.9	2,944	35.7	382	30.7
Female										
Total	15,106	100.0	2,345	100.0	4,093	100.0	7,438	100.0	1,230	100.0
Married, spouse present	8,715	57.7	1,428	60.9	2,581	63.0	4,037	54.3	670	54.5
Married, spouse absent 3/	460	3.0	37	1.6	124	3.0	256	3.4	43	3.5
Widowed	1,206	8.0	342	14.6	322	7.9	439	5.9	103	8.4
Divorced	1,071	7.1	218	9.3	248	6.1	503	6.8	101	8.2
Separated	578	3.8	55	2.4	77	1.9	398	5.3	48	3.9
Never married	3,076	20.4	265	11.3	741	18.1	1,805	24.3	265	21.5

1/ The majority of those born in 'Latin America' are from Mexico. Those born in 'Other Areas' are from Africa, Oceania, Bermuda and Canada.
2/ Age 15 years and over.
3/ 'Married, spouse absent' excludes separated.